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For: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
SERVICING REQUESTS TO A
STORAGE ARRAY**

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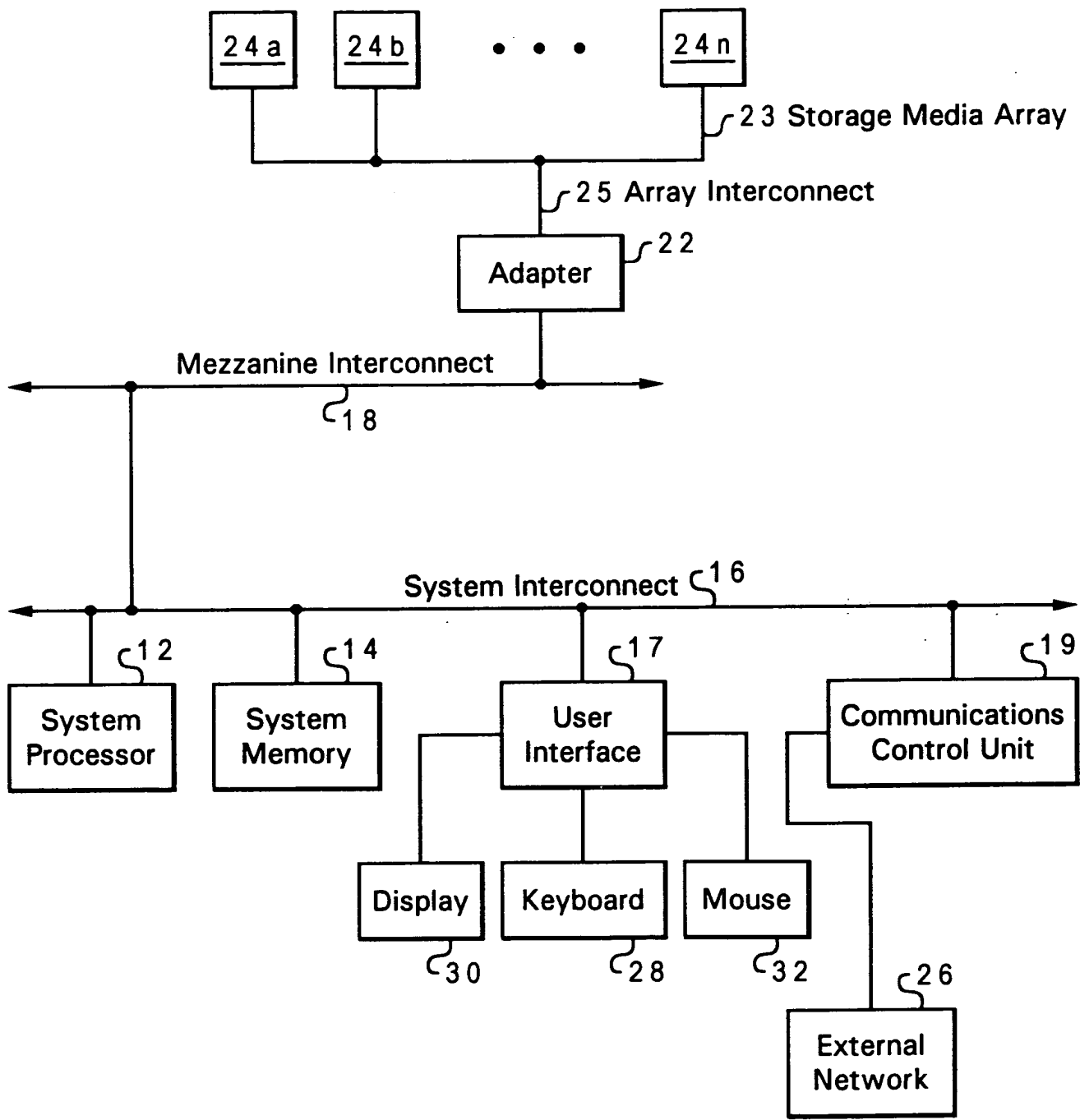
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Data Processing System
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Fig. 1

RAID Adapter Block Diagram

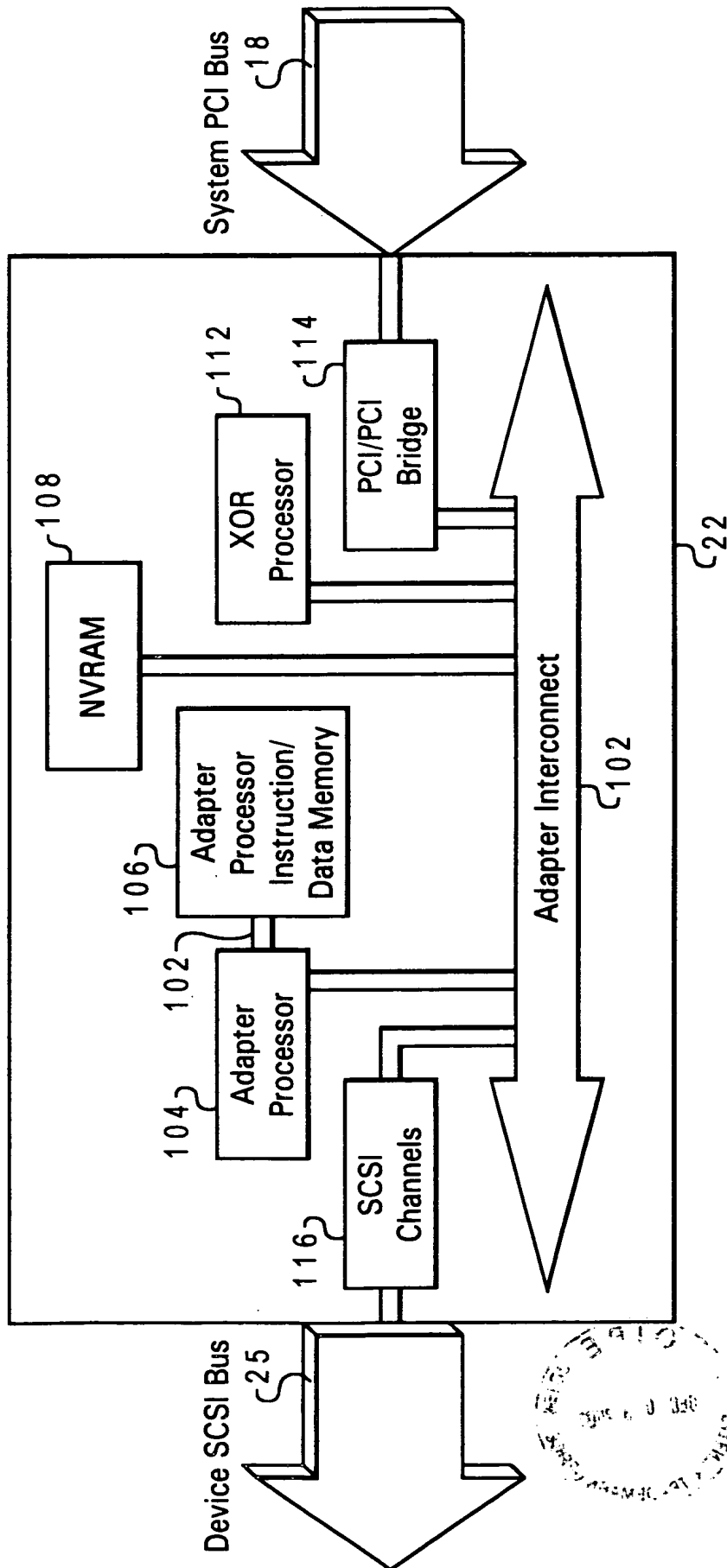
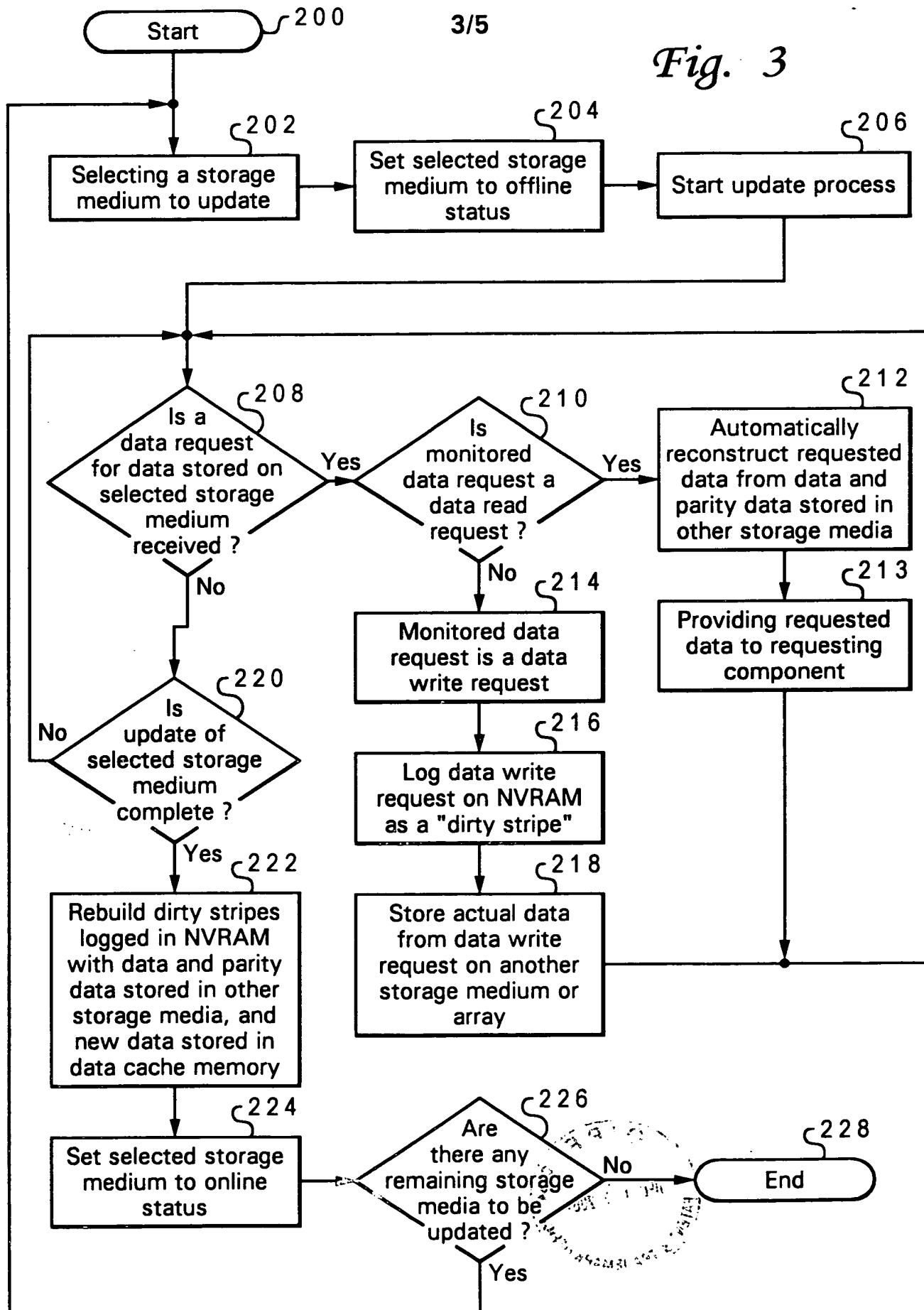


Fig. 2

Fig. 3



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STRIPE NUMBER	STORAGE MEDIUM 1	STORAGE MEDIUM 2	STORAGE MEDIUM 3
1	D0	D1	P1
2	D2	P2	D3
3	P3	D4	D5
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N	DN	PN	DN + 1

Fig. 4A

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STRIPE NUMBER	STORAGE MEDIUM 1	STORAGE MEDIUM 2	STORAGE MEDIUM 3	SPARE STORAGE MEDIUM 4
1	D0	D1	P1	D1'
2	D2	P2	D3	
3	P3	D4	D5	
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N	DN	PN	DN + 1	

Fig. 4B

System and Method for Servicing Requests to a Storage Array

Fig. 5

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